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articles of equal quality at lower rates, it is
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whom whose chief market both for purchase and
is Britain, and who, in the nature of
ings, will retain that preference for this
country so long as they share its citizenship
boast the protection of its flag."

I'd doubt, also, were this tie loosened,
where the trade of the colonies would be so
worth to the United Kingdom as it now is.
production of raw material in these lands
heavily stimulated by British capital; but were
flag of England to be displaced, it is very

...and without it progress would be impossible in the extreme. Investors have little influence in petty republics, which are the theatre of party warfare and political anarchy, and are likely to become the prey of some rapacious and unscrupulous foreign Power. The colonies are now the outlet for the savings of the British people,—an arrangement which is to their mutual advantage; but a very different policy of things would be observed were these to become prematurely independent of the parent

RAILWAY STATION AT HYDE PARK.—The representative of the Government in the Legislative Council (the Hon. J. E. Salomona) made a statement last evening conveying the impression that the Government recently had under consideration the expediency of erecting part of Hyde Park with a new metropolitan railway station. In reply to queries by the Hon. E. C. St. John, he stated that a survey had recently been made of the park, but that the Government had not yet decided on any decision with reference to erecting a railway station there.

NEW POST OFFICE.—Yesterday morning a large number of gentlemen assembled at the new Post Office building, at the invitation of Mr. John Young, the contractor, to see the progress of the principal works. The building is in position in the George-street front. Among the men were the Premier (the Hon. Charles Cowper, G.), the Treasurer (the Hon. Saul Samuel), Mr. Macleay, M.L.A., Mr. Wilson, M.L.A., the Mayor of Sydney, the Colonial Architect, the members of the Legislative Assembly, and members and officers of the Corporation of Sydney. The stones weighed nearly twelve tons, and such is the perfection of the appliances at hand, that the stones were hoisted up to the height of 100 feet in exactly five minutes. The stones were examined in the examination of the building, and great admiration

was expressed at the handsome appearance of the red granite columns, of which there are thirty-six in the building.

THE EXHIBITION.—The visitors at the Exhibition numbered between 1500 and 2000. Yesterday the usual natural history and geological exhibits were the order of the day, and this morning and evening, and "Punch and Judy" were very popular outside the building. The elephant received a considerable amount of attention from visitors. He walked about the grounds freely under the charge of his keeper. His docility seemed to excite general admiration.

He stood as quietly as a lamb, with a woman upon his back while he was photographed. Another photograph showed him, with three young women, who had vainly endeavored to climb upon his back.

WILLIAM MACARTHUR. This evening there is to be a part in the Exhibition Building.

UNITARIAN CHURCH, MACARTHUR STREET.—Today evening a meeting of the congregation of this ch. was held, to consider the expediency of requesting members of the church to dispose of it, and to apply the proceeds of the sale to the erection of a new ch. on a site of land in Liverpool-street, opposite Hyde About fifty persons were present. Dr. A. Beckett led, and opened the meeting by reading the notice convening it. He then called upon the members of the congregation present to attend the meeting of the ch. and afterwards read the 10th clause of the trust

which empowered the trustees, on the requisition of fourths of any meeting duly convened, to sell the land, with the view of applying the proceeds to the purchase of land and erection of a place for religious worship and instruction. Mr. H. Gale stated that at a meeting held previously it had been decided that proceeds of the sale of the Clarence-street land should be disposed of in the enlargement of the present building, and that it then appeared to the trustees that the land then mentioned should be purchased by the trustees of the Clarence-street land. Since, a very eligible site for a place of worship had been purchased; and it then appeared to the trustees, in regard to any further purchase of land, to say whether they would or would not, in the present case, the trustees were in their present opinion. He moved a resolution,

ing the willingness of the congregation to co-operate the trustees of the Clarence-street land in the erection of a church at Hyde Park, by reason of the trustees of the Macquarie-street church, who were to devote the proceeds to the erection of new buildings, upon the condition that the estimated cost, and other particulars relating to the building should be approved by the trustees of the Macquarie-street congregation. Mr. James Currie, deposed the resolution, which was unanimously carried, when gave some details respecting the trusteeship of Clarence-street, of the disposal of that property, and the purchase of the site for the new church. He considered the site a far more eligible one than that now occupied. With one or two exceptions the

of the persons present signed the requisition naming the trustees of the property in Macquarie-street as the body to apply the proceeds of the sale of the land to the building of a new church in the terms of the resolution already passed. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

RIFFLE ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the Committee of the Rifle Association was held at the Volunteer Office, yesterday afternoon. The chair was occupied by Colonel Macquarie. The members present: Captain Wells, Dr. Ward, Lieutenant Storey, Mr. G. Phillips, Major Goodlett, Captain Baynes, Captain Compton, Mr. John Cooper, who attended in the condition of the present rifle range, and Mr.

drawn up and considered. It will comprise twenty matches in all, and four days have been set down for shooting, namely, the 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th Novr. Several alterations have been made on each day's programme, so as to make it more interesting. The number of range prizes; this will give a larger number greater distribution. The prizes in various matches have been much increased, and four special prizes are—Lieutenant Colonel Richardson, £30; Major Goodall, £25; Mr. J. H. Bland, £25; Mr. W. G. Smith, £25; Mr. P. R. F. value £10; Mr. L. Hardin has also contrived annual subscription of £5. The conditions of Mr. Campbell's prize are such that the crack shots will be able to compete, as it is intended for those who are

at any of the Association meetings of over £2 are able to enter. It is anticipated by the committee that there will be a large number of entries, as the amount for prizes is beyond that of previous years.

NON-REPAIR.—Mr. Richard Thame, William Brown, and George Hopkins, who were recently convicted of having conspired together to defraud the Association, were apprehended on a charge of conspiring together to defraud the Association. They were admitted to bail for £100 each for their appearance to answer the charge.

DEADLY ACCIDENT.—About half-past 8 o'clock yesterday a man named Charles Stewart, residing in a house in Clarence-street, was alighting with a horse-drawn carriage, when the horse, which was a black one, reared up and threw him. The horse was killed, and the man was severely injured.

On being asked he ran away, and not taking heed as he was going, he ran against the wheel of a passenger car, cutting his head severely above the right eye. By evolution of the wheel he was thrown to the ground, and passed over by its arm, fracturing it in two places.

John Sutcliffe, who witnessed the occurrence, who was at the time took place sitting in the safety car, testified to have said that no blame could be attached to the cabman, whose name is Francis McKeogh. The driver of the car was also admitted to be drunk, although the wound on the head was a severe one, the skull had not sustained a fracture.

PETER'S CURIOUS WOODCOLOMOLO.—The

MEMBERSHIP.—The *Southern Argus* says we are not doing things of *memorandum*, indicative of success.

which were left in Yae by a person passing through the town from the Tumut, near which place, he says, many of the Mesquitos have to be found. He states that he saw the Mesquitos to be quite different from those which he saw in the white encased appearance, as if it fused, and from its flinty nature, would be useless for use, though it might be converted into other ornamental uses.

BRUNKEY CREEK.—The Bathurst Times of Wednesday hears that between 1400 and 1500 ^{cwt} of tin were recovered at the Bank of Mero Creek, and that the tin was brought from Brunkey Creek, and it is said that this mine has all been obtained on the field of the last year, and was forwarded to Sydney.

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